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AN ANNOUNCEMENT

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Two reasons have prompted us to undertake a first-day cover service for these stamps. With each new commemorative issue, philately gains, as it were, recruits. Then, too, with the history of the Columbian or Trans-Mississippi issues in mind, one sees that more gain has accrued to philately in this way than by any other means, or all other means combined.

The issue of Bicentennial stamps will be a large one, and these stamps will be obtainable for a long time to come, but the first-day cancellation enhances their value and interest. No doubt some dealers will rush these stamps by plane to other cities. It is probable that they will release them, as did the postmasters of certain American cities in the cases of "provisional" issues, but philately will not recognize this gross infringement of the law which, in this case, stipulates that these stamps are not to be sold in any city other than Washington, D. C., previous to January 2, 1932. Publicly we wish to state that we shall mail covers on January 1, from Washington, and from no other city, no matter how near Washington it may be. Collectors and dealers should discourage any who are unscrupulous enough to disobey the instructions of the Post Office Department in this respect.

We are fully prepared for orders for these stamps. Whether we receive one or a million orders, we have made arrangements whereby they can be filled.

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In addition to the twelve stamps, there will also be issued five envelopes in denominations of 1c, $1\frac{1}{2}$ c, 2c, 4c and 5c. From a philatelic standpoint it will be interesting to have the entire set of stamps on one cover as well as each stamp separately on a single cover. Stamps will be enclosed in a cover in mint condition at no charge other than the service charge for the cover and the face value of the stamps. Service charge on one cover is 10c; if self-addressed envelope is sent, charge will be 5c. For each additional cover sent to any one person, the service charge will be 2c.

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A Bicentennial cover, sent from Washington, D. C., on the first of January, the first day of issue, would constitute a Christmas gift that would be appreciated by both collectors and non-collectors.

The long-awaited Consolidated Priced Catalogue of the Postage Stamps of the United States will be published in January. It will be sent, post free, together with a booklet containing interesting articles on What to Collect, How to Collect, etc., for TWENTY-FIVE CENTS.

On orders for first-day covers from Washington it will not be possible to differentiate between "superb", "fine", "very fine" and "good" stamps. Those desiring mint copies of the stamps in various conditions may order them later. The prices on these stamps will appear in our Consolidated Catalogue.

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"Entered as second-class matter March 13, 1929, at the post office at Columbus, Ohio, under the Act of March 3, 1879."

Envelope Papers and Colors

ONE of the first difficulties experienced by the beginner in envelope collecting is determining the quality and color of the papers as listed in the various catalogs. Especially is this true as regards the envelopes issued in the early period of our postal history by Nesbitt, Reay and Plimpton.

There are two fundamentally different papers manufactured and used in the making of envelopes with which the collector should familiarize himself. These are the "laid" and "wove" papers. With the exception of a very few envelopes and wrappers, all issues up to and including the series of 1903 were made of laid paper which is identified by the laid lines or "vergeures" which run diagonally on the envelope and horizontally on the wrappers. "Wove" paper, which was used together with laid paper for the oval dies first issued in 1907 and exclusively thereafter, does not show these lines but presents either a mottled or an even texture when held to the light.

Now for the first Nesbitt issue of 1853-55. The embryo envelope collector turns to his Scott's catalogue and finds therein that the Nesbitt issue is comprised of two papers, white and buff. This sounds easy enough until a specimen turns up on dark, almost brown paper, or perhaps on a beautiful light yellow paper. White and buff says the catalogue, and there you are. What it doesn't tell is that the white paper runs from a cream white to a bluish white and that the buff can be anything from light brown to light yellow. Some collectors just mount one specimen, brown, yellow or what-have you, and call it buff, which it is. Other collectors endeavor to get a specimen in each of the various shades. Collecting the shades makes a very decorative display as well as being instructive, showing as it does, the various

shades of the buff paper for this issue. The texture of the papers used for this issue varies from a soft, porous paper to a thin, crisp type with a highly finished surface.

In the second Nesbitt issue, that of 1860, an orange paper appeared and in 1861 the five higher values of the series were printed on an amber colored paper. In this issue we find a letter sheet printed on blue paper and the manila wrapper makes its first appearance as a member of the postal family. There are no difficulties with the issue of 1863 which appeared on buff and orange paper although the wrappers came in two shades of manilla, light and dark.

The colors of the Reay issue are white, amber, cream and orange, all plain sailing with the exception of the "cream," which in this case is not the yellowish white we know as cream but is really a "flesh" tint. This misnomer applies to the Plimpton issue of 1874 also. In 1874 the first blue envelopes appeared and in 1875 fawn paper was added to the list. Nothing hard so far, so we proceed to 1884 where we find the "oriental" buff. This paper, if one is not careful, can be rather easily confused with the cream paper upon both of which the 30c black and the 90c carmine appeared. But any serious trouble can be avoided by carefully matching the papers with a six cent or some other variety which came on cream but not on buff paper. This issue also produced the amber manilla paper which is easily told in the only two issues in which it was used by the coarse texture of the paper. This amber manilla might be described as a light mustard yellow shade.

With the issue of 1887 the fawn paper disappeared and in 1899 the amber manila paper was dropped from the list leaving only the old standbys, white, amber, oriental buff, blue and

manila. These papers remained in use until the next great change, that from laid to wove paper. The latter was first used in 1915 with the so-called oval dies which appeared on both laid and wove paper, the major portion being on laid. Wove paper has been used exclusively ever since.

With the introduction of wove paper a better grade of white paper, known as Extra Quality, was placed on the schedule. At first it was not widely used but has become more popular each year. With the beginning of the present contract in 1929, amber and blue extra quality papers were introduced for the express purpose of educating the public to the use of better grade envelopes, even if users preferred the colored papers. As a further step in what will doubtless prove the eventual discontinuance of standard quality paper the P. O. Department has recently ordered that after Jan. 1, 1932, all sales of less than 250 shall be of extra quality stock.

This use of colored extra quality paper brought about for a time a strange situation with regard to the 4c and 5c envelopes on amber. These values were printed for only a short time on amber paper of standard quality which justified the prices formerly quoted by Scotts on Nos. 2668 and 2669. However, after they appeared on amber extra quality, now widely obtainable, many people were for a time misled into believing the present product to be that listed by Scott from the first. So far as the standard catalog description goes there is no difference, but actually the original variety on ordinary paper is very scarce while the present product on extra quality is quite common.

In 1920, due to a temporary shortage of manila paper, the 1c envelope made its appearance on a light weight brown paper both glazed and unglazed. The 2c wrapper also appeared

on both these papers, while the 1c wrapper appeared on the glazed paper only. This paper is a real brown and should not be confused with the dark shades of the ordinary manila.

In 1920 the use of amber and buff paper was discontinued. In 1929 the use of manila paper was confined to wrappers only and in the same year amber paper was replaced on the schedule.

In Bartels catalogue will be found many sub-varieties of papers which are always of the greatest interest to advanced collectors and specialists who eagerly seize upon all slight variations of colors as specimens for their collections. But as this article is written primarily for those not so familiar with envelopes, such varieties have been purposely omitted from the discussion.

Summarizing the paper situation in a few words, we find that there are

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only a few salient points to be remembered.

1. Buff paper in the Nesbitt Issue varies from light yellow to brown and all shades are known as buff.

2. Cream paper in the Reay Issue is really a flesh tint.

3. Watch the cream and oriental buff papers in the 30c black and 90c carmine of 1874-86.

4. Be sure the brown paper of 1920 is brown and not dark manila.

The third in this series of articles on envelope collecting, dealing with the Nesbitt dies, will appear in an early issue.

FREAK COVERS FORBIDDEN

Mr. George W. Linn,
Editor and Business Manager,
Linn's Weekly Stamp News,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

I have noted in your Weekly News of Saturday, November 14, on page 39, an article dealing with double first day covers.

The Department does not look with favor on so-called freak covers of this character as they are not permitted under the Postal Laws and Regulations. Notwithstanding the fact that a number of them have gone through, it has been merely through zeal on the part of some postmasters to accommodate stamp collectors. This type of request necessarily slows down the program of first day sales and postmasters are instructed to return all requests of this character.

I am writing to you because I noted that there was a suggestion that cover fiends might try this stunt. I hope not.

Many covers of this character were returned from Yorktown unfilled.

Very truly yours,

M. L. Eidsness, Jr.,
Supt., Division of Stamps

RADIO STAMP TALK

Dec. 19th

The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific commemorative stamp of 1909 will be the subject of Major Kimble's fifteen-minute radio broadcast next Saturday afternoon at 5:16 p. m. This will be the thirty-first talk in his series on "Commemorative Postage Stamps of the United States" given every week at this time over Station WMAQ, the Chicago Daily News (670 kilocycles). Those unable to listen-in and desiring printed copies of these talks may write direct to him. Address Ralph A. Kimble, 8118 Dante Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

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World War material is being quietly absorbed by those who know. How many collectors know that there were Prisoner of War Camps in Japan during the War, and that official cards and envelopes were issued, and official cachets applied. These covers are very scarce. I have a few of these covers and cards, and will send you 1 for a dollar bill, but send today. Have other war material at reasonable prices. **H. A. L. Hughes, Church St., Peterborough, England. (S.P.A. 626)**

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ARGENTINE REPUBLIC—In order to clarify in our readers' minds, the values, types overprinted and colors of the overprint, on the recent overprinting to commemorate the first anniversary of the revolution, we list all of them below, as taken from Scott's Monthly Journal for November. The color of the overprint is in parenthesis:

- A104— 3c. green (R)
10c. dull green (R)
30c. claret (G)
50c. black (R)
A105— 1p. blue and red (Blue)
5p. dark violet and green (Blue)
A117— 2p. black and orange (Blue)
AP1— 18c. lilac gray (R)
AP2— 72c. yellow green (R)
AP3— 90c. dark brown (R)
AP4— 1.80p. blue and lilac rose (Blue)
—3.60p. gray and blue (R)

AUSTRIA—The 1p green, has arrived on an entirely new paper, bearing a small multiple wmk. "C of A" and Crown and we understand that all current issues are shortly to appear on this paper.

(A. F. Turner)

The new 6p. Air Mail was to be placed on sale November 4th, the 6p. of the Kingsford-Smith Issue, having been withdrawn, with the exception of the chief post office in the capital city of each state, which places will keep them on sale until exhausted, but in no case, beyond Feb. 1, 1932.

(Philatelic Magazine)

AUSTRIA—The proposed Zeppelin Issue, has been abandoned.

(Philatelic Magazine)

AZORES—The 48c. pink, chronicled in these columns Nov. 21st., is on Scott's Type A30. (Scott's Monthly Journal)

BERMUDA—A new printing of the 2sh 6p. is reported by the Crown agents. This is said

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(Philatelic Magazine)

BRAZIL—It seems as though we were right, in our first chronicle of the overprint 200c on 300c, being on both Scott's Nos. 293 and 306. Just why Scott chronicled one one month and the other the next month, we cannot say, as our information was received on both, at the same time.

BULGARIA—The 2 levas, carmine, chronicled Oct. 31st., is Type A92, as illustrated in the Addenda of Scott's 1932 catalog.

CANAL ZONE—We have been shown a First Day Cover, of the new 5c green Air Mail stamp, by Samuel H. Cobb. The postmark is Nov. 18th, from Balboa Heights. The design shows a view of the canal, with of course, an airplane in the background.

CHILE—The 5p red of the Linea Aerea Nacional air post stamps, Scott's AP2, exists with the error "Puepto" instead of Puerto.

(A. F. Turner)

We wish our readers to understand that the above mentioned set is not intended to replace the surcharged stamps, which are for overseas mail, and the Aerea Nacional are strictly for interior use.

(Philatelic Magazine)

CHINA—The SUN YAT SEN 1, 2, 4 and 20c have arrived in Shanghai. It was intended to issue them Sept. 1st, but this was postponed to enable a portion of the supply to first be overprinted for use in Ki-Hai, Sinkiang and Yunnan. An error in the design was discovered, two white lines having been added around the "white sun" in the center. This apparently destroys its significance as a National and Party emblem. The error will be rectified by the Chinese Government, by overprinting to cover up the two white lines and a new plate will probably be made for further supplies.

(Philatelic Magazine)

CUBA—Another rotary printing, wmk. star, and perf. 10.

A35—1c blue green.

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

GUINEA—Stamps of 1922-26, overprinted in new values, with three horizontal lines blocking out the original values and value sign: 50c on 60c, deep rose; 70c on 80c pink; 1.40c on 2c, dark violet.

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

HAITI—The two stamps foreshadowed in our issue of Oct. 31st, have been issued. Both are recess-printed in traverse oblong format, by the American Bank Note Co., the 5c de g. showing twin portraits of Presidents Salomon and Vincent, and the 10c, that of Vincent alone. Haiti being admitted to the U.P.U. on July 1, 1881, the commemorative stamps are inscribed with the dates of the Jubilee; we understand further that only 50,000 copies of each value were issued:

5c de g. green
10c de g. carmine

(A. F. Turner)

HUNGARY—Postage due stamp type D6, surcharged, same as No. 1305, in the addenda of the 1932 catalog, but wmk. double cross on pyramid:

10(f) on 16f rose red.

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

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INDIA—The 1/4a "Service" stamp is now printed on the multiple watermarked paper, wmk. multiple stars.

(A. F. Turner)

Jaipur—The 1/4a stamp (Scott's 45) has appeared in a new shade, i.e., red brown and gray.

Travancore—A commemorative set is due to appear on the date of the accession of the Maharajah to the full governing power, about Nov. 6th.

(Philatelic Magazine)

IRAQ—A new issue is due, in consequence of the currency change. This may be ahead by surcharging the present series.

(Philatelic Magazine)

MADAGASCAR—Colors of the stamps chronicled Oct. 10th, follow:

1c ultramarine
50c orange brown
2fr deep red
3fr emerald green

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

MEXICO—The 20c Air Mail (Scott's type AP3), of 1930 (rouletted), both ordinary and official, has been reduced by overprinting to the face value of 15c to defray the new rate on air mail letters to the U. S. A.

(A. F. Turner)

NEW ZEALAND—Further information reveals that the design for this year's charity stamp is in reality that intended for use last year, but which could not be used, because it did not arrive in time.

(Philatelic Magazine)

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3c each—139, 140, 160, 161, 167, 168, 554, 556, 574, 922, 924, 932, 940, 944, 967.

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NICARAGUA—A special presidential decree has been issued, authorizing the issuance of special postage and air mail stamps (5,000 of each denomination, for sale only on Jan. 1, 1932, the proceeds of which will be used for improving the postal service.

The design of the postage stamps (thirteen denominations 1/2c to 1 cordoba) will comprise views of the Palacio de Comunicaciones, before and after the earthquake and fire of 1931, while the five denominations of the current Momotombo air mail series will probably receive an appropriate overprint.

With only 5,000 to be issued and ONE DAY OF SALE, what a chance for speculation! WOW!

(A. F. Turner)

NORTH BORNEO—Jubilee issue remainders, together with the plates, will be destroyed on Jan. 1, 1932.

(Philatelic Magazine)

PORTUGAL—The Pereira Commemoratives, forecast Nov. 28th, are at hand. They are surface-printed, perf. 11 1/2.

15c black
25c green
40c orange
75c rose-carmine
1e25c blue and light blue
4e50c brown and pale green

(Philatelic Magazine)

(A. F. Turner)

ROUMANIA—The new air mail stamps were issued Nov. 22nd, in pictorial designs representing aircraft of various types, passing over local scenes.

2 lei green
3 lei rose
5 lei brown-orange
10 lei blue-green
20 lei violet

A new 16 lei postage stamp, printed in green with portraits of the three kings, similar to the 10 lei, now current, is announced for immediate issue.

(A. F. Turner)

RUSSIA—More commemoratives coming! Three issues are being planned for the year 1932, viz. (1) to mark the fifteenth anniversary of the October Revolution; (2) in honor of the fifteenth anniversary of Lenin's return from exile; (3) to celebrate the completion of the famous Five Years' Plan.

(A. F. Turner)

SPAIN—In addition to the error on the Correo Aero Issue 1920, note Oct. 3rd, another error variety of the same stamp has appeared, i.e. a DOUBLE OVERPRINT, one INVERTED.

(A. F. Turner)

SUDAN—New high value Air Stamps of larger size, are to replace those of the current set, to facilitate distinction.

(Philatelic Magazine)

SWITZERLAND—A series to commemorate the Disarmament Conference, will be issued in February 1932. The set will comprise the following denominations: 5, 10, 20, 30, and 60c and 1fr. There will also be a set of Air Mails, of the 15, 20 and 90c denominations. Further details are lacking at this time.

(Walter W. Miller)

SYRIA—A curious variety of the 2p. on 1p25 (Scott's No. 195) has been shown us. Eight stamps in a block of 17 show two separate impressions of the red surcharge, one on the stamp and the other between the rows. It is apparently the result of a double offset.

(A. F. Turner)

Too Early for April Fool Jokes.

URUGUAY—A proposed new issue of air mail stamps, to be known as "Pegasus coming down" type, is to be issued on or about April 1, 1932. It is not known yet what the highest value will be.

(Marks Stamp Company Journal)

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The second Yorktown submitted by Lawrence Bros. from Waverly, Iowa. It comes in the usual handstamp of the U-51 style.

A list of Red Cross precancels follows, a copy of each being submitted by Lawrence Bros.:—Crete, Nebr.; New York, N. Y. in type XXV handstamp; Eldora, Ia.; Tulsa, Okla. double line type; Arlington, Calif.; Upland, Calif.; Hampton, Ia.; Coffeyville, Kans., this one ought to be the best of the lot. Redlands, Calif., and Garden Grove, Calif.; also Mason City, Ia.

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I learn from good authority that Barberton and Dover, Ohio have precancelled the Red Cross stamp.

Mr. Albert Jones reports that so far as known the only city type coils appearing on the 4c Taft are from Milwaukee, Wis.; Bridgeport, Conn.; and Worcester, Mass. Do you know of other varieties.

Has any one seen the Front View 1½c Harding in the city type coils yet. I have not, nor even heard of any. Also does any one know of other city type coil varieties in the 2c Edison besides Rochester?

Mr. Jones further states that handstamps are now appearing in the double line type giving Hanover, Kans. and Silver Lake, Ind. as examples.

Mr. L. L. Batchelder reports the 1c East Aurora, N. Y. type III appearing in BLUE INK. Also the unlisted Ohio town of Geneva in the new U-49 type.

Some time ago I mentioned a handstamp being used by Sears Roebuck and Co. at Memphis and listed some dues under this type but it has been called to my attention that I erred as the dues are in the U-82 style while the other handstamp is more like the U-54 style.

Now here is one for you Philatelic Detectives to unravel. A letter at hand shows a new 3c due precancelled New Kensington, Pa., and above it is a 1c Pittsburg B-11 buro coil, this stamp being also postally cancelled Bridgeport, Pa. To further complicate matters, below the 3c due is stamped in red ink, as all postoffices do in the case of postage due, the words POSTAGE DUE 1½ CENTS ???

O. K. CLARA

I took a trip to Detroit to purchase some philatelic supplies and incidentally get a few bottles of pre-war. Well—I had to go to four different places before I got the philatelic articles needed.

—Joseph C. Salak.

TURKEY FOR THANKSGIVING

Mr. William H. Gilley of Rogers Park, Chicago, Ill., sent the Editor a Turkey for Thanksgiving. This turkey came in the form of a big red gobbler cancellation on a Yorktown stamp from "HENTON, ILL." Personally, the editor prefers chicken to Turkey and chicken would have been more appropriate with the town name. Perhaps it was a Turkey Hen.

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Certainly I will! Be glad to help you. What troubles you? What do you want to know?

Just this, sir. I want to interview the man whose picture is shown on the first Special Delivery stamp, issued in 1885, and I simply cannot find him. I've been hunting for him for a month, and no one will give me any information about him. Can you tell me where he is?

Why don't you go to Cleveland? He was President at that time, as of course you know.

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GOING UP

Every week we have to raise the print order for the paper. We are glad to do this in order to accommodate the many new subscribers whose names are coming to our office with subscriptions for one, two or four years. When a man subscribes for two or four years there is certain evidence that he is a rabid stamp fan and it is collectors of this class that make desirable customers for the dealer.

That our circulation is among a class of readers that do read the paper and that do buy, is best proven by letters from dealers who are using space with us from time to time or on weekly contract. Horst K. Kuckein, who is marketing hinges at wholesale carried an inch advertisement in our big November 7 issue and in a letter dated November 30, Mr. Kuckein says—"So far we have had 45 replies and they are still coming." The hinges offered are an exceptionally thin paper and a first class hinge at an attractive wholesale figure.

The International Stamp House of Clifton, N. J. had an 8 inch advertisement in our November 21st issue and writing to us under date of December 1, just ten days later, they say—"We have up to the writing of this letter, received exactly 82 replies to this one ad. My colleagues and myself wish to congratulate you on the wonderful results thus obtained from your paper."

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OUR BIG FRIEND W. G. WINDHURST of Marion, Ohio says "MEMS" hits the bull's eye for Commemoratives.

JOHN THOMAS OF SHARON, PA., writes the editor to inquire if we know anyone who wants to trade a Hawker or a DePinedo for a real Grand Piano. John says he means an Honest to goodness \$1200 Grand Piano. Girls, there's your chance to get a piano.

H. H. WHEELER OF NEW BRITAIN, Conn., says, "Do not cut out your editorials—I may not agree with you but I always read them and I always feel as tho the writer knows something about stamp collecting."

YEAH, THE EDITOR WENT TO Akron—will tell you the room number next week.

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Information regarding new issues and notes of interest on Buro Prints only, should be sent direct to the Editor of this column.

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Toledo, Ohio, ord.	9
Harrisburg, Pa., ord.	1 1/2 FV
Philadelphia, Pa., coil	1 1/2 FV

By Dr. Mitchell and L. Davis.

Dr. Mitchell also sends in a strip of B11 10c coils from Chicago showing a long top line scarf. It repeats on the first stamp to the left of the regular gap. On the same strip, on the stamp to the right of the gap we note a broken lower bar and the lower part of the "O" of Chicago carried away.

L. Davis also sends in a rather tough break on the 9c Philadelphia B11. A severe gouge has just about cleaned out "LPH" of Philadelphia.

We recently had a letter from that grand old man of Pasadena, Jacob Weigel. Mr. Weigel finds time to submit a break or two and we note a new one from Providence, R. I. with the "R" of R. I. broken away diagonally. Baltimore 10c B11 with "IMORE" practically gone. The 1 1/2 ordinary B11 of Pittsburgh with "PI" represented by a diagonal line only. The latter a regular break and may be found on all Smoky City B11 ordinaries.

Mr. E. S. Thresher shows an unusual item, a plate break on the Kansas City B13 coil, the 10c value. A lower bar break about 1/4 in. long and repeats on the third stamp from the left of the regular gap. Unusual, in as much as K. C. coils are remarkably free from breaks.

Mr. Thresher also advises seeing the old type Fort Worth, Texas 1c coil with the dropped "X". This completes the series as all have been seen.

He advises that this variety may be construed as a high value "E" as easily as a dropped "X". We shall give ours a long look and give our verdict next week.

Lawrence Bros. auction catalog came in today and in addition to some nice buro lots we note a few interesting items, a 14,842 variety collection, a mint sheet of the 13c Harrison of the 1902 issue, and a complete sheet of Scotts No. 505 with the 5c error. Incidentally Lawrence Bros. price their buro lots for this sale on a gross basis and we shall endeavor to get their opinion as to the bidders reaction.

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Air Mail Crashes

Mail plane from Oakland to Salt Lake City crashed on November 23rd and Pilot Norman W. Potter lost his life. As this was Sunday night mail from Oakland business mail no doubt was light; no notice of special markings.

Pilot Melvin Garlow flying the Cleveland-Pittsburg route took off about noon Nov. 28th from Bettis Field, and while over the city of Pittsburgh the plane went into a tailspin and the pilot parachuted to the city street. Five sacks of mail uninjured.

Edgar C. Bigelow, Pilot of Varney Air Lines crashed near Pasco, Wash. on Thursday, Nov. 24th losing his life. The mail was taken from the plane and sent forward by the next plane for Boise and Salt Lake.

F. A. M. Notes

Geo. S. Chapman writes that on the completion of Route 10 only about 40 sets were mailed from San Juan, and 12 sets from St. Thomas so these will be very scarce.

We learn now that Antillas, Cuba, was added as a stop of No. 10 on Dec. 4th but as the Postal Bulletin contained no notice of this addition, there

will likely be very few covers to that city.

American Clipper Mail

Covers from Canal Zone bear the new Air Mail Stamps with a box cachet in green containing the wording "First Flight The American Clipper."

From Panama covers with an official cachet "Agencia Postal de Colon Vuelo Lindbergh Panama."

Mail on this flight from Cienfuegos, Cuba, was first flight mail both north and south from that city, and a very appropriate cachet was used.

No notice yet as to whether Banaquilla, used a special cachet.

U. S. Constitution Dates

Tentative dates of the trip of "Old Ironsides" follows: Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 16-21; Miami, Fla., Dec. 23-30; Key West, Fla., Dec. 31-Jan. 4; Pensacola, Fla., 7-11.

Texas dates furnished by W. H. Anderson are: Corpus Christi, Feb. 16-23; Houston, Feb. 24-Mch. 1; Galveston, Mch. 1-7; Beaumont, Mch., 8-13; and Port Arthur, Mch. 13-18.

First Robot Pilot

Eastern Air Transport was authorized and used the first automatic piloting device on the air mail route from New York to Atlanta recently, but there was no advance notice, so that collectors could send covers and ask for the pilot's signature.

Aviation Day

At the Washington Bi-Centennial will be August 19th, 1932, which is the birthday of Orville Wright. A big aerial demonstration is being planned, with perhaps all planes in the Army and Navy participating. Mark this down; watch for future notices of covers.

Hinton Tour

Lieut. Walter Hinton visited Keene, N. H., Dec. 7th. Rutland, Vt., Dec. 8th, and Montpelier, Vt., Dec. 9th, but this news came too late for collectors use. The Exchange Club advises that this tour will likely be resumed about March 14th and continue until every local club has been visited.

Trans-Atlantic

Bert Hinckel recently completed a non-stop flight from Natal, Brazil to Dakar, Senegal, for the French Aeropostale and probably carried some mail for them.

Star Route Plane Service

From Sandusky, Ohio, to Middle Bass Is. and Put-In-Bay started on Dec. 1st, but most of us forgot to send in covers and we have not seen any so carried as yet.

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—Joseph C. Salak.

RELIGION AND POSTAGE STAMPS

At the November 20th meeting of the Columbus Philatelic Club, Rev. Baird, read a paper on the above subjects. The members in attendance were surprised at the great number of religious connections that were shown on stamps and much more interested in an explanation of the significance of many things on stamps which have a religious significance and which are overlooked by the average collector.

The paper was of much interest and was enjoyed by all in attendance. The subject is one that connects up with stamps of most all countries, and even in United States Postage Stamps, several instances were noted in which there was shown pictures of much interest and with a very marked religious connection.

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